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I support Bill 10 because to make plastic bags oil is used and it also hurts the environment. Plastic bags aren't biodegradable and we use around 400-500 bags a year individually which doesn't decrease the waste stream we have. If we over load with trash then some of Hawaii's natural beauty will be covered and then decrease our economy for tourism. It additionally is harmful for sea life animals. It has killed millions of sea birds and 100,000 marine life who thought it was food which is bad because most of the native animals are endangered. Also oil is not a renewable resource which we use to make these bags. We already rely too much on oil for electricity and transportation purposes in Hawaii, so we are just decreasing the amount of oil we have to use and adding more to what we rely on oil. So this is why I support Bill 9 about banning plastic bags.

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